

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF

THOTTATHIL ET AL.

APPLICATION NO: UNKNOWN

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FOR: NOVEL METHODS FOR THE PREPARATION OF TAXANES USING
OXAZOLIDINE INTERMEDIATES

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Page 1, after the title, insert:

-- This is a division of 09/315,712, May 20, 1999, allowed, which is a continuation of 08/845,299, April 25, 1997, abandoned, which is a continuation of 08/408,676, March 22, 1995, abandoned. --

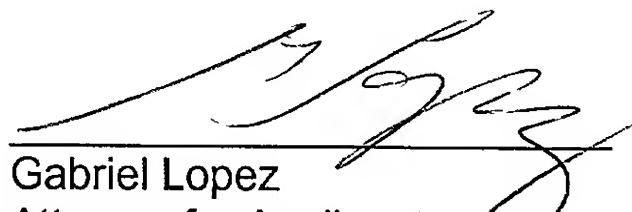
IN THE CLAIMS:

Cancel claims 9-12 and 22-25

REMARKS

A cross reference to the parent applications has been added and claims have been canceled.

Respectfully submitted,


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